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House Awards Congressional Gold Medal to September 11 Heroes

By a vote of 392-2, the House of Representatives last night approved H.R. 3054, the True American Heroes Act authored by Domestic Monetary Policy Subcommittee Chairman Peter King (NY).

The legislation will authorize the president to award congressional gold medals to the officers, emergency workers, and other employees who responded to the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and perished in the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The legislation will also authorize the president to award congressional gold medals to the passengers aboard United Airlines Flight 93 who resisted the hijackers and caused the plane to crash.

"I am pleased that the House of Representatives passed this vital and historic legislation, which is an official recognition of those courageous heroes who selflessly and bravely responded to the horrendous attacks on the World Trade Center," King said.

"There are no individuals more deserving of the Congressional Gold Medal than those who gave their lives to protect others on September 11," Financial Services Committee Chairman Michael G. Oxley (OH) said. "This legislation will assure the families of those who died that their loved ones will never be forgotten."

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